# Our September 2022 Newsletter

Welcome back everyone, we hope you all had a lovely summer! We would also like to say a special 'Hello' to all our new families who will be joining us this term.

#### **Topics**

As the new term begins, our main aim will be to support and settle all our children at Nursery. This includes our new children and some of our existing children who have been away for a while.

Even for children who have been attending holiday club over the last few weeks this is a transition time. They will notice several new children starting and also see that our older children are no longer attending, as they have moved on to school.

Topics we are planning to include are as follows: -

Weeks beginning 5th September and 12th September - 'All About Me'

Week beginning 19th September - Recycling Week



- During this week we will be collecting any unwanted books to donate to the charity 'Just Be A Child'. This charity helps set up libraries in Kenya with unwanted books.
- Also, Erika is asking for any donations of old t-shirts/dresses, especially ones with bright colours and patterns for some art projects for school. These can have holes and stains, but please can they be washed before donating.

Week beginning 26th September - Hindu Festival of Navaratri

Remaining Weeks - Autumn Season



We will keep you updated regarding these topics nearer the time on Tapestry and on the parent noticeboard in the foyer.

## Nursery Library



Our library, where we share our nursery books with home, has been working really well. Children continue to show lots of interest in books, which is great for promoting their literacy development.

Every child has their own book bag which they will use to bring a book home. It would be great if you could take a few moments to look at the book with your child.

Once the book bag is returned to nursery, your child can swop their book for a new one.

### Key Worker Meetings

As we begin this new academic year, we would really like to arrange 'catch up' meetings between key workers and parents. It would be great to have some time to talk together about children's interests and development.

These meetings can be arranged at the beginning or end of a session, or alternatively a virtual meeting during the day – we will be in touch with you separately to organise this.

#### Staffing Update

We are pleased to let you know that over the past summer term Erika and Charlie have both successfully achieved their Level 3 qualifications in Early Years. They both worked very hard to achieve this and we really appreciate all their hard work and efforts with this.

Erika is continuing with her training by undertaking an Early Years Lead Practitioner course - Level 5.

Steph started her Level 3 training in Early Years in the Summer term.

Lisa will start her National Professional Qualification in Early Years Leadership in October. Sarah and Alex will completing their Paediatric First Aid training in September.

Our staff team are very committed in continuing with their professional development to strive to achieve the best quality care for children in early years.

#### Parent Questionnaire

Thank you so much for those of you that took the time to complete the recent parent questionnaire, this has been much appreciated. These questionnaires really help us reflect on our practice.

We will feedback to you separately regarding this and keep you informed of any actions we are taking following this.

#### **Best Wishes**



















SENCo (special educational needs coordinators) are Lisa Gilbert and Stefan Pantazi. EHA (Early Help Assessment) and Behaviour Management is Lisa Gilbert.

Designated Child Protection persons are Lisa Gilbert and Stefan Pantazi

Equal Opportunities coordinator is Lisa Gilbert

Nursery Planning for the nursery is Stefan Pantazi.